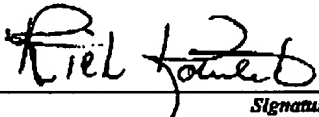



PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Large Entity)				Docket No. BUR919990238US1	
In Re Application Of: Mark R. Bilak					
Application No. 09/520,257	Filing Date 03/07/2000	Examiner Day, Herung-Der	Customer No. 024241	Group Art Unit 2123	Confirmation No.
Invention: STATISTICAL GUARDBAND METHODOLOGY					
<u>COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u>					
This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of <u>05/05/2004</u> above-identified application. <small>Date</small>					
The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):					
<input type="checkbox"/> One month <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Two months <input type="checkbox"/> Three months <input type="checkbox"/> Four months <input type="checkbox"/> Five months					
from: <u>08/05/2004</u> until: <u>10/05/2004</u> <small>Date</small> <small>Date</small>					
The fee for the extension of time is \$420 and is to be paid as follows:					
<input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 09-0456					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 09-0456					
 <small>Signature</small>			Dated: <u>Oct 4, 2004</u>		
Richard M. KOTULAK IP Law Department, 972E IBM Corporation 1090 River Street Essex Junction, VT 05452 Telephone: 802-769-4457			FAXED		
cc:			<div style="font-size: small;">I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on <u>Oct 4, 2004</u> with the U.S. Postal Service as first-class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.</div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> <small>Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence</small></div> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"><u>C. MUELLER</u> <small>Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence</small></div>		